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	Approved by
	County Attorney

RESOLUTION APPROVING INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN MEMPHIS LIGHT, GAS AND WATER DIVISION AND SHELBY COUNTY GOVERNMENT ON BEHALF OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION FOR FIRE FEE BILLING AND RELATED SERVICES IN SHELBY COUNTY, TENNESSEE. SPONSORED BY COMMISSIONER DEIDRE MALONE.

WHEREAS, Shelby County Government and Memphis Light, Gas and Water Division (MLGW) entered into an agreement for the collection of fire fees in July of 1973 which will terminate as of October 15, 2009; and

WHEREAS, The Public Works Division desires to enter into a new Interlocal Agreement with MLGW to provide for the collection of fire fees and related services; and

WHEREAS, The Interlocal Agreement, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein by reference, provides that MLGW will collect said fees through its normal billing cycles to customers of MLGW for a fee of two (2.0%) percent of the gross billed revenues per month; and

WHEREAS, The term of this agreement is for a period of five (5) years, and the fee charged by MLGW may be adjusted on an annual basis upon agreement by the parties; and

WHEREAS, The MLGW Board of Directors will have met to approve the terms of this Interlocal Agreement at its regularly scheduled meeting on October 1, 2009; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SHELBY COUNTY, TENNESSEE, That the Interlocal Agreement Between Memphis Light, Gas and Water Division and Shelby County on Behalf of the Public Works Division for Fire Fee Billing and Related Services in Shelby County, Tennessee, is hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the County Mayor is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary for the completion of this agreement.

A C Wharton, Jr., County Mayor
Date:
ATTEST:
Clerk of County Commission

SUMMARY SHEET

I. <u>Description of Item</u>

The original Shelby County Board of Public Utilities entered into an agreement with MLGW in 1973 for the collection of Fire Fees. This agreement was for a period of three years and renewed automatically for a new three year term at the conclusion of each term. MLGW provided notice to the Public Works Division as successor to the old Board of Public Utilities of their intent to terminate the agreement and increase the fee from one and one-half (1.5%) percent to two (2.0%) in order to more adequately recoup their costs for providing this service. In fiscal year 2009, MLGW was paid approximately \$357,000, for services rendered in the billing and collection of fire fees for Shelby County Government. Although this will be a small increase in the cost of collection, it will not result in any increase in the fire fee rate for residential, commercial or vacant fire fees in Shelby County.

II. Source and Amount of Funding

Collection fees are deducted from collected fire fees and net amount is paid to Shelby County by MLGW.

III. Contract Items

Interlocal Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

IV. Additional Information Relevant to Approval of this Item